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Corps to hold change of command ceremony

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The Kansas City District, Corps of Engineers will host a Change of Command ceremony July 23 at 10 a.m. at the Folly Theater, 300 West 12th St., Kansas City. The public is invited to attend.

At the ceremony, Col. Roger A. Wilson, Jr. will transfer command of the Corps' Kansas City District to Col. Anthony J. Hofmann.

The Kansas City District has served the citizens of the Heartland since 1907. The mission of its more than 1000 employees include Civil Works, Military Construction, the cleanup of Hazardous, Toxic and Radiation waste and emergency response. Its Civil Works boundaries take in parts of Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado. Its Military Construction boundaries encompass the states of Missouri and Kansas. It is the primary design district in seven states and the secondary design district in eight states for the Hazardous, Toxic, and Radiological Waste cleanup program and facilitates the disposal of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials (non-fissionable materials) for the entire United States.

Hofmann most recently served as the Commander of the Walla Walla District in Washington.

Brig. Gen. John R. McMahon, commanding general of the Corps' Northwestern Division, will preside over the ceremony. He is responsible for five districts and their work across an area that includes all or parts of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Minnesota.

The July 23 ceremony will include the 399th Army Band from Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. and a Corps of Engineers park ranger's ceremonial color guard.

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NOTE – Col. Hofmann biography and photo are available on request.

MEDIA ADVISORY: Requests for brief interviews with members of the ceremonial party need to be coordinated in advance with Public Affairs Office to ensure access opportunities. Media equipment set-up will be allowed until 10 minutes prior to the start of this event.

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